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Application of: Friend et al. Confirmation No.: 1718
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For: METHODS OF DIAGNOSING Attorney Docket No: 9301-129
DISEASE STATES USING GENE
EXPRESSION PROFILES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

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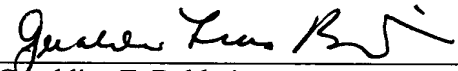
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated February 4, 2003 be extended for a period of 3 months from May 4, 2003 to and including August 4, 2003.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$460.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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